

## MEETING OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS/SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

**DATE: JULY 23, 2015**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: PASZAK, HOLEWINSKI, TIMMONS, CUSHING, JENSEN**

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: BENNETT/COMMISSIONER, JOLIN/ HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

The following matters were taken up to wit:

1. Paszak called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. It was noted the meeting was properly posted and the media notified.
2. **Motion:** Cushing/Jensen to approve the agenda. Items may be taken out of order at the discretion of the Chairman. All ayes.
3. **Motion:** Timmons/Cushing to approve the minutes of the Public Works/Solids Waste meeting on July 9th, 2015. All ayes.
4. **Motion:** Cushing/Timmons to approve Highway vendor vouchers # 446-477 for a total of \$330,859.10 All ayes.
5. **Motion:** Cushing/Timmons to approve the lowest bid on blade orders from various vendors. All ayes.
6. Bennett informed the Committee that a new Chip Spreader would cost \$240,000 with the municipal discount. Bennett is confident that he can find a used one for approximately \$140,000 in excellent working condition and will begin searching for one.
7. **Motion:** Cushing/Holewinski to accept the bid for \$31,103 from Century Fence to epoxy stripe Highway Y. All ayes.
8. Bennett presented the Committee with an updated Highway Y budget report.
9. **Motion:** Cushing/Jensen to move forward with the bidding process for New Road or an equivalent for work on to be done on River Street. All ayes.
10. **Motion:** Cushing/Jensen to offer to sell excess right away on Highway D to adjoining land owners and forward documents to the Land Records office for processing. All ayes.
11. **Discussion only:** Committee discussed the idea of closing the Scenic Overlook on Highway J. Woody vegetation is overgrown and questions were raised as to whether or not DNR regulations would allow cutting down overgrowth. Committee agreed that if a letter was received from the DNR in support of closing the overlook they would discuss the matter again. Jensen also recommended contacting the State Tourism Bureau for input on the matter.
- 11 **Motion:** Cushing/Jensen to approve Solid Waste vendor vouchers for a total of \$31,298.29. All ayes.
- 12 **Motion:** Cushing/Jensen to direct Bennett to contact Corporation Counsel to draft a written notice to the company under contract with Solid Waste to address contract violations. All ayes.

13 Operational Discussion:

- Bennett presented a sympathy card for the Committee to sign, if they chose to, for the Lincoln County highway worker that was tragically killed by a motorist recently while flagging traffic on a project. Bennett was proud to report Oneida County will be participating in the 60 truck procession to honor the man killed and pay respect to his family. Bennett, Ben Rich, and Jack Renn will be representing Oneida County.
- Discussion was held re-iterating the point Bennett made in the past regarding the fact that if a County is not willing or able to do work offered by the DOT, that the DOT will hire a different County to do the work.
- Road trip changed to August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- Bennett showed the Committee pictures of the culvert that Oneida County workers installed for the Town of Lynne Bridge Aid project.

14 Future Meeting dates:

- August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 8:00 am
- August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 8:00 am
- September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015 8:00 am

15 Future Agenda Items:

- Rank the order of importance of future road work
- Solid Waste charge accounts
- Monico shop
- Continued State funding versus other revenue options

16 No public comment

17 **Motion:** Cushing/Jensen to adjourn at 8:45 am. All ayes.

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Committee Chairperson

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Committee Secretary